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SUBSTRATE WITH A PLASTIC BAND AND STRIP THUS OBTAINED

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Sir:

Pursuant to Rules 56 and 98, Applicants hereby call the attention of the Patent Office to the references listed on the attached Form PTO 1449. Within the last three months, Applicants became aware of an English-language Canadian Application No. 2,136,746 corresponding to WO 93/24324.

This reference was not cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counter-part foreign application, and, to the knowledge of the undersigned after making reasonable inquiry, this reference was not known to any individual designated in 37 CFR 1.56(c) more than three months prior to this filing.

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